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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AMENDMENT and RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the FINAL Office Action, having a mailing date of December 24, 2003, having a statutorily imposed three-month period for response set to expire on March 24, 2004, and in view of a telephonic interview with the examiner, held on March 16, 2004, applicant respectfully requests entry of this Request of this Continued Examination and amendment to the claims. A request for one (1) month extension of time, a check in the appropriate amount for filing such extension of time and the required authorization to charge any additional fees is included herein.

In accordance with the Patent Office rules regarding amendment practice adopted July 31, 2003, applicant submits a full set of claims starting on page 3, and remarks made in response to the examiner's rejection of the claims starting on page 10.

Applicant respectfully requests entry of this amendment and response.